

The West Purbeck Benefice Prayer

Holy God we thank you that you have called us to be your people across the West Purbeck Benefice.

We praise you for the beauty that surrounds us,
the people who make up our communities,
the visitors whom we welcome

and above all for the gift of faith you have given to us.

Help us through prayer and worship to grow closer to you,
through service and care to reflect your love,

and through mission to share your Good News with all around us.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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Usual hours The Benefice Office is staffed Wednesday 9-12 and 12.30-4 and Friday 9-1.30.

For enquiries outside these times contact the Vicar.

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We are aware that scam emails are circulating. Any genuine email from Revd Richard Bartlett will have his email address vicar@westpurbeck.org.uk and the West Purbeck Benefice Logo in the signature. Please don't click on any links in suspect emails!

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Sunday 19th October 2025
The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

SUNDAY 19th October - 18th Sunday after Trinity

9am	Holy Communion	Bere Regis
9am	BCP Holy Communion	Wool
10.45am	Prayer and Praise online	Streamed
Zoom link:	https://us06web.zoom.us/j/5152255413 Meeting ID: 515 225 5413	
11am	Holy Communion - Harvest	Affpuddle
11am	Songs of Praise	Winfrith

Next Sunday 26th October - BIBLE SUNDAY

9am	BCP Holy Communion	Affpuddle
9am	Holy Communion	West Lulworth
10.30am	Holy Communion	Wool
11am	Holy Communion	Bere Regis
11am	Holy Communion	Winfrith

Sunday 26th October is **Bible Sunday**, and this year we are very pleased to welcome a guest preacher at the 9am Holy Communion service at Affpuddle and 11am Holy Communion service at Bere Regis: Neil Croucher, well known to many across the benefice, is Head of Philanthropy at the Bible Society.

Collect for 18th Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and everlasting God,
increase in us your gift of faith
that, forsaking what lies behind
and reaching out to that which is before,
we may run the way of your commandments
and win the crown of everlasting joy;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

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Post Communion Prayer for 18th Sunday after Trinity

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast:
for here we receive you,
here the memory of your passion is renewed,
here our minds are filled with grace,
and here a pledge of future glory is given,
when we shall feast at that table where you reign
with all your saints for ever. **Amen**

Readings: Gen. 32.22-31; 2 Tim. 3.14-4.5; Luke 18.1-8

Gospel: Luke 18.1-8

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming."
And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

Zoom Link for 8.30am Online Morning Prayer

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. All are very welcome. Use the Zoom link:
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73443687171?pwd=b905rYl4vV38OmjZlhjbAWFmyorYC.1>
Meeting ID: 734 4368 7171

*Please pray for our two benefice confirmation candidates,
Kate Gainsford and Louisa Ventham,
who will be confirmed in a diocesan confirmation service in Salisbury Cathedral
on Saturday 1st November.*

God of love,
turn our hearts to your ways;
and give us peace.

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You are warmly invited to attend a
Memorial Service at
The Church of the Holy Rood, Wool
on Sunday the 2nd of November 2025 at 3pm



In this service of hymns and readings we offer you an opportunity to remember loved ones and to give thanks for their lives. During the service the names of those who have died during the past two years are read along with others you may wish to remember. You will also have an opportunity to light a candle in memory of a loved one.

Afternoon tea and coffee served afterwards.

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A list of names to be included in the service, in addition to those whose funeral services we have conducted in the past two years, is in Holy Rood church and will be available there until Sunday 26th October if you wish to add a name.

Parish Administrator & Bookkeeper for the Family of Churches in Wareham

This is an exciting opportunity for someone with great organisational, communication and IT Skills and bookkeeping abilities, who is able to work in an environment requiring confidentiality and compassion.

15 hours per week with potential for flexible and remote working

£10,920 / year salary

Closing date for applications **3rd November 2025**

Interviews by arrangement

week beginning the 10th November 2025

For further details and how to apply go to

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Operation Christmas Child



The team at St. Christopher's Church Winfrith will be organising a Christmas Shoebox collection this year. Every year these colourful boxes are sent to children in need around the world. We invite you to bring hope, love and joy to children through this simple gift. The boxes will be collected in mid-November **so now**

is the time to start. First find a suitable shoebox, secondly fill it with small gifts and lastly deliver to St. Christopher's or Sue Marsh. (01929 400 259) I can collect locally if this is more convenient.



You'll bring a big smile to a child's face, and let them know that they are loved and not forgotten. The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to show God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world, and together with the local church worldwide, to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. Your gift will do just that, **so**

thank you. Please contact Sue Marsh for details of suitable contents and how to make a small donation to

cover delivery costs. Alternatively you can find details on the website:

www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/how-to-pack-a-shoebox



BREAKFAST CLUB

We meet at Holme for Gardens on the second Wednesday every month at 10am (next meeting 12th November).

All welcome!

Please telephone Mary to let her know if you are coming on 01929 556086.

Thursday Tea and Toast at St John the Baptist, Bere Regis 8am until 11am Thursdays.

All ages are welcome; there will be some toddler-age toys available. Dogs and their owners are very welcome (including doggie biscuits!). For more information, please contact Pat Wharf:

patswiftwharf@outlook.com 01929 472246.

SUGGESTIONS FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

The work of the Church: Please pray for the Episcopal Church. Also please pray for the Mission Aviation Fellowship, our PCCs and Church Wardens, and financial needs of our Church.

This Benefice: We pray for all those who are not able to join in with worship at this time. We pray for all those volunteering in their community with transport, prescriptions and shopping, also, the Youth clubs and children's uniformed organisations in Affpuddle, Bere Regis, Bovington, Chaldon Herring, East Lulworth, West Lulworth, Winfrith Newburgh and Wool.

Pray for the residents of Hollow Oak, Hyde, Lane End, Lower Woodbury and Turnerspudde in Bere Regis; Shirley Close and Sunnyside in West Lulworth; Winbrook Fold and The Orchard in Winfrith and East Knighton; Manor Farm Barns and Manor Farm Cottages in East Stoke, Meadow Lane and Lower Hillside Road in Wool.

Those who are ill or have asked for our prayers:

We pray for Peter Wharf; Catherine; Joe; Louisa Botterill; Brenda and David; Wendy Morrison; Mark; Heather Edwards; Daisy Martin; Pat House; David;

We are pleased to pray for all those whom we are asked to pray for. In order to keep our prayer intentions up to date we will include names for one month. At the end of each month, if you would like either yourself or the person whom you have asked us to pray for to remain on the prayer list for a further month, please inform one of the clergy or the Benefice Office. If you are asking for prayer for someone else please remember to ask their permission for us to include them in The Link. Thank you for being a part of this important ministry of prayer.

We pray for the families and friends of those who have died in recent days: Tony Bates; Richard Best; Eileen Rolls; Freda Orchard; Graham Holmes; Malcolm Grimstone; Pauleen Bang

Also the families and friends of those whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

Please pray for
Isla Olive Drummond
who will be baptised at Holy Trinity church, West Lulworth
on Sunday 19th October
and for her Parents, Godparents, family and friends

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HARVEST SERVICE

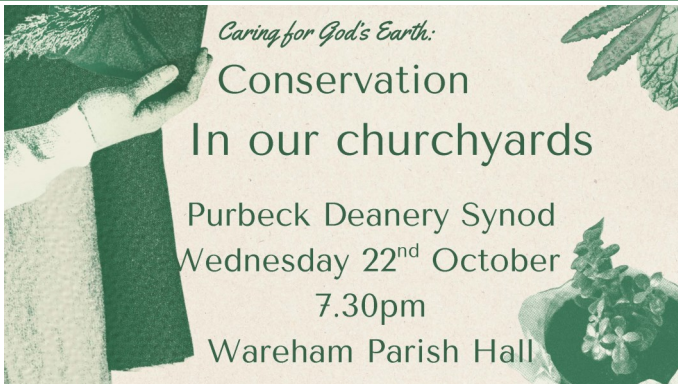
Sunday 19th October *St Laurence's Church, Affpuddle* 11.00.am.

Followed by drinks and nibbles!

Please come and join us!



Come and hear our very own Curate, Lydia, speak at **Purbeck Deanery Synod at 7.30pm on Wednesday 22nd October at Wareham Parish Hall, the Quay, Wareham.** Lydia will speak and lead a discussion on wildlife conservation in churchyards. There will be a practical focus with useful resources for churches who would like to get started or expand what they are currently doing. Everyone welcome!



Purbeck Deanery Synod
Wednesday 22nd October
7.30pm
Wareham Parish Hall

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Quiet Day

Hilfield Friary
28th October
10am-4pm

"Surely I have quieted and stilled my soul,
like a weaned child with its mother." Psalm 131.2

Email Eve at office@westpurbeck.org.uk
to book your place.
£10 for the day
Please bring a packed lunch

The West Purbeck Benefice

Holy Rood Church, Wool

TABLE TOP SALE

PLUS BACON ROLLS!



in the D'Urberville Hall

Saturday 18th October 11am to 12.30pm

To book a table, please contact Toni on tmac4455@aol.com